

## SENATE COMMEMORATION NO. 11

Introduced by: Senators Kloucek, Bartling, Garnos, Hoerth, Hunhoff, Maher, and Sutton and Representatives Putnam, Elliott, Halverson, Haverly, Jerke, Juhnke, Moore, Olson (Betty), Sigdestad, Tidemann, and Van Norman

A LEGISLATIVE COMMEMORATION, Honoring an outstanding South Dakota newspaperman, Ralph Nachtigal for his numerous contributions to the state of South Dakota and the newspaper industry.

WHEREAS, Ralph Nachtigal of Platte, South Dakota, is a leader in the South Dakota newspaper industry and has written for the *Watertown Public Opinion* and the *Sioux Falls Argus Leader*. He was the owner of the *Platte Enterprise* from 1965-1999, where he is still an employee and still submits a widely popular weekly column "From the Bottom of the Barrel"; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Nachtigal has demonstrated his commitment to leadership through his service in the United States Navy, membership on the South Dakota Newspaper Association Board of Directors and the Platte Board of Education, and two terms as a member of the South Dakota House of Representatives; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Nachtigal exhibits a strong commitment to his family, including his wife Patricia, his two daughters, Julie and Monica, and his three grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Nachtigal continues to strive for success and provide for his community through his service as president of the board of the Platte Health Care Center:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT COMMEMORATED, by the Eighty-Third Legislature of the State of South Dakota, that Ralph Nachtigal is honored for his commitment to the newspaper industry and his dedication to the well-being of his state and his community.

